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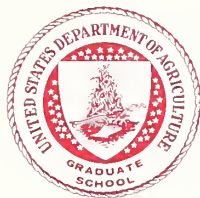
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Holiday Greetings

GRADUATE SCHOOL • USDA



Newsletter

December 1969

Dear Friends:

At this special time of the year, perhaps many of us could profitably pause in our busy routines to reflect on where we are going -- in our lives, in our work, and in our common enterprise, the Graduate School.

Could we, for example, seek more affirmative action, find a more positive approach to continuing our own and helping others in continuing their education -- daytime, nighttime, and Saturdays, too?

Could we listen and communicate more effectively and successfully? Can we find ways to really see, hear, and understand all people?

Could we, through honest effort, establish more genuine human relations?

Can we find enough love in our hearts, enough self-commitment, to better the lot of mankind?

I think we can. I think we must. And I think we will.

OUR BEST WISHES TO ALL FOR A JOYOUS
CHRISTMAS AND A MEANINGFUL
NEW YEAR

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 1	New Year's Day - no classes
6	Faculty Luncheon - "The Future of Federal City College," by Dr. Harland Randolph, President, Federal City College.
7	Lecture - "Plant Viruses in Insect Tissue Culture," by Dr. L. M. Black, University of Illinois. Plant Industry Station, Beltsville, at 10:30 a.m.
10	Start Saturday morning computer classes
17 - 24	Evening Program Spring Registration

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY -- PREVENTION AND CONTROL

"The drug problem is of epidemic proportion in the District of Columbia.

"For some youths, violence is a way out -- to get arrested means they will be forced into withdrawal from drugs -- and for some it is a way to get, for the first time, 'three hots and a cot' -- three meals and a bed that doesn't have to be shared with others."

These were among the statements of our December faculty luncheon speaker, William C. McKinney, Deputy Director/Program Director, for the Office of Youth Development, of the Government of the District of Columbia.

Pointing out that his agency was established by Mayor Washington in May 1969 for dealing with the prevention and control of juvenile delinquency, Mr. McKinney explained that it was his job to develop for the District a plan of programs for the identification of problems and individuals in need of help -- and ways to provide that help.

"We work from the basic assumption," he said, "that the adult criminal began as a juvenile delinquent. Therefore we believe that the emphasis should be on prevention. For that, we need an integrated approach which will reach across the board, from education to recreation."

The first step, he said, was to get all of the agencies dealing with health, recreation, welfare, and so forth, together and get them talking to each other. But, he said, it is most difficult to find a way to speak to all of the agencies that have an affect on a child.

"We feel that building relationships between these agencies is more important than the agencies' programs themselves.

"When we began looking into what was being done, we found plenty of emphasis on control -- but nobody was doing anything about prevention.

"So our task is to design programs for prevention of delinquency -- and we find that drug abuse is



the greatest single problem." Nevertheless, Mr. McKinney pointed out, much of the crime in the District is not drug related -- and there is no easy single answer to the problems of youth in this or any other area.

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TWENTY-YEAR AWARDS

Four Graduate School committee members were honored at our December luncheon for their 20 years of service to the school.

General Administration Board Member Harry Trelogan thanked for their contributions:

Sadye Adelson, former faculty member and member of the Subcommittee on Fine and Applied Arts;

Robert Fuchs, former member of the Accounting and Financial Management Committee and the Office Techniques and Operations Departmental Committee;

Ferdinand Kaufholz, member of the Subcommittee on Engineering;

Henry Sawchuck, chairman of the Subcommittee on Engineering and member of the Technology Departmental Committee.



(l. to r.) Henry Sawchuck, Sadye Adelson, Robert Fuchs, Ferdinand Kaufholz

AWARD FOR THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

Our Special Program's seminar, "The Future" planned by Mr. Charles Williams Jr. (pictured right) has been awarded a First Honor Award for Creativity from the Conference and Institute Division of the National University Extension Association. Mr. Williams was present to accept the award at a ceremony held at the Sheraton-Park Hotel on December 8 as part of the Galaxy Conference on Adult Education.

We congratulate Mr. Williams and look forward to another successful "Future" course beginning March 23, 1970.



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NEW COURSES

Three new courses in secretarial skills will be offered in January 1970 in the Individual Study Center (Room 1416 South Agriculture Building). They are: Refresher Typing, Refresher Shorthand, Vocational English. The method of instruction will be by programmed learning. Courses are to be offered 5 days a week, Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. For further information call John Andrews, DU8-7123 (Code 111 extension 7123).

THE WASHINGTONIAN AND THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

The December issue of the Washingtonian not only features an article by a Graduate School instructor but also gives our school a healthy "plug."

An article on continuing education, "Daytime, Nighttime, and Saturday, Too" (or How to Drop Back into School for Fun and Profit) devotes a section to the Graduate School which, it says, serves the largest number of adult students in Washington.

Caspar Nannes, who teaches our courses, Modern Drama and Great Figures of English Literature, is described by the Washingtonian as "a very brave man." He is the author of an article, "Holy, Holy, Holy," in which he picks "Washington's best preachers -- the golden dozen of the pulpit."

FACULTY NOTE

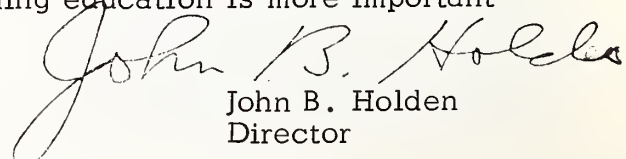
We would like to extend our congratulations to W. Clark Edwards, a faculty member teaching Intermediate Economic Analysis and also seminar leader of the Special (Day) Program's Critical Issues and Decisions. He was recently among those who received the Secretary of Agriculture's Special Merit Awards for Outstanding Cost Reduction Achievement.

A POSITIVE APPROACH

Last week we invited several directors of personnel to meet with us and give us their ideas on how we might increase participation in our programs. They felt strongly that participation would increase if we could find ways of helping people overcome their reluctance to attend evening classes because of the increase in crime on the streets.

As a follow-through on this meeting it is our intention to inform the Police Department of our class locations and hours in the hope that more police will patrol those areas at those times. Secondly, we will try to encourage students to form cooperative transportation groups. On the matter of better parking facilities, we are hopeful of getting more safe parking areas for our students and faculty.

All of us are naturally very concerned about the continuing increase in crime. I would like to say however that we have had very few reports of incidents involving students and faculty in the Graduate School program. One incident is, of course, one too many. The fact that last year we had over 24,000 course enrollments indicates to me that there are very many people who are managing to think positive. These are rapidly changing times and our continuing education is more important than ever before.


John B. Holden
Director